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In re application of:

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Title: **Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other  
Molecules Associated with Plants**

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**Notice of Appeal from the Examiner to the  
Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences**

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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner dated May 29, 2003, that resulted in Applicants having claims that have been twice or finally rejected.

Authorization to charge the official fees for this filing is given in the accompanying transmittal letter. A duplicate copy of this Notice is attached.

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